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ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AID-20 EB-11 AGR-20 TRSE-00 OMB-01

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CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00 PRS-01 PA-04 USIA-15 IGA-02

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FM AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4062

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY SEOUL

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

CINCPAC HONOLULU HI

COMTSRCYPAI

JCS WASHDC

DIA WASHDC

SECDEF

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 13509

FOR STATE/AID

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EGEN, EAID, CB

SUBJECT: RICE SITUATION

1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE RICE SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SITUATION IN  
PHNOM PENH FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26 THROUGH DECEMBER 1, 1973.

NOV.26 NOV.27 NOV.28

BEGINNING STOCK 12953.8 1239.4 11698.7

ROUTE 5 - - -

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ROUTE 4 - - -

MEKONG - - 1651.1

TOTAL AVAILABLE 12953.8 12395.4 13349.8  
 LESS DISTRIBUTION 714.7 610.9 571.1  
 BALANCE 12239.1 11784.5 12778.7  
 ADJUSTMENT (PLUS)(-) - (PLUS)85.8 (-)74.0  
 BALANCE 12395.4 11698.7 12852.7

NOV. 29 NOV. 30 DEC. 1

BEGINNING STOCK 12852.7 12225.3 11750.0  
 ROUTE 5 - - -  
 ROUTE 4 - - -  
 MEKONG - - -

TOTAL AVAILABLE 12852.7 12225.3 11750.0  
 LESS DISTRIBUTION 707.8 600.0 747.0  
 BALANCE 12144.9 11625.3 11003.0  
 ADJUSTMENT (PLUS)(-) - - -  
 BALANCE 12225.3 11750.0 11300.9

2. STOCK POSITION - AS OF COB DECEMBER 1, PHNOM PENH HAD A  
 TOTAL AVAILABILITY OF 11,300.9 M/T IN RICE AND BROKENS. ONLY  
 ONE VESSEL, THE BONANZA, ARRIVED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD  
 WITH 297 M/T OF VN RICE AND 1,354 M/T OF KOREAN RICE.

3. DECEMBER ARRIVALS PROJECTION - OUR LATEST PROJECTION OF  
 ARRIVALS IN DECEMBER, SUBJECT TO FURTHER MODIFICATION, IS AS  
 FOLLOWS:

| VESSEL/BARGE    | M/T   | SOURCE | DISCHARGE   | PORT  | ETA |
|-----------------|-------|--------|-------------|-------|-----|
| BATTY C-1       | 912   | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/3  |     |
| BATTY C-2       | 903   | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/3  |     |
| TACK TAI        | 3,087 | KOREA  | KOMPONG SOM | 12/4  |     |
| ELIZABETH LYKES | 5,286 | U.S.   | KOMPONG SOM | 12/4  |     |
| PACIFIC UNION   | 1,300 | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |     |
| BONANZA)        | 700   | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |     |
| )               | 1,000 | KOREA  | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |     |
| HAY AN          | 2,100 | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |     |
| PORT SUN        | 1,800 | VN     | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |     |

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|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|
| EVER GLORY    | 1,900 | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |
| WING PENG     | 1,800 | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |
| TCS-66        | 1,900 | KOREA | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |
| LUZON 1961    | 1,700 | KOREA | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |
| LUZON 1962    | 1,729 | KOREA | PHNOM PENH  | 12/11 |
| DIA DUONG     | 2,300 | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/19 |
| GULF MERCHANT | 5,000 | U.S.  | KOMPONG SOM | 12/24 |
| TCS-68        | 1,700 | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/27 |

|                 |        |       |             |       |
|-----------------|--------|-------|-------------|-------|
| BONANZA         | 300    | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/27 |
| HAY AN          | 2,100  | VN    | PHNOM PENH  | 12/27 |
| NANCY LYKES     | 3,451  | US    | KOMPONG SOM | NA    |
| TO BE NAMED     | 500    | KOREA | PHNOM PENH  | NA    |
| TO BE NAMED     | 5,000  | JAPAN | PHNOM PENH  | NA    |
| PHILIPPINE BEAR | 10,000 | US    | PHNOM PENH  | NA    |
| PRES.ADAMS      | 10,000 | US    | PHNOM PENH  | NA    |

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TOTAL 66,468 M/T

NOTE LAST 3 ITEMS REFLECT TRANSSHIPMENTS IN SAIGON. OF THE TOTAL OF 66,282 M/T, 16,824 M/T ARE TO BE DISCHARGED AT KOMPONG SOM WHILE THE BALANCE OF 49,644 M/T IS SCHEDULED FOR MEKONG CONVOYS.

4. DISTRIBUTION. AT THE DAILY RATE OF 650 M/T WHICH BECAME EFFECTIVE ON DECEMBER 1, THE STOCK ON HAND AS OF THAT DATE, CORRESPONDS TO 17.4 DAYS' SUPPLY. DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, DAILY DISTRIBUTION AVERAGED 564.5 M/T, AND FOR THE 10-DAY PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 1 THE DAILY AVERAGE WAS 579.6. THE DAILY AVERAGE FOR THE WHOLE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WAS 536 M/T. AS RICE SUPPLIES BECOME MORE ABUNDANT, THE NATIONAL RICE COMMITTEE IS URGING PHNOM PENH MUNICIPALITY TO DRAW THE DAILY CIVILIAN ALLOCATION IN FULL. IN THIS RESPECT, DELAYS ARE STILL ENCOUNTERED BECAUSE OF THE SLOW PACE OF THE REFORM OF THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. AN EXPERT FROM USDA/W HAS ARRIVED IN PHNOM PENH TO FORMULATE PRECISE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OVERHAULING THE PRESENT SYSTEM.

5. PHNOM PENH PORT DISCHARGE CAPABILITY. THE TWO EXPERTS FROM CINCPAC AND USAID/SAIGON HAVE COMPLETED THEIR RESPECTIVE SURVEYS. THE FIRST ONE DEVELOPED A SERIES OF VALUABLE RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH ARE BEING FORWARDED TO THE GKR

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BY THE EMBASSY WITH A STRONG APPEAL FOR PROMPT IMPLEMENTATION. THE SECOND EXPERT DID PUT BACK INTO OPERATING CONDITION ONE OF THE THREE AID-FINANCED OICC-INSTALLED CONVEYORS. WE ARE AWAITING THE EXPERT'S COMMENTS REGARDING MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO FULLY UTILIZE THE OTHER CONVEYORS.

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